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House Resolution 1139

By: Representatives Wix of the 33rd, Morgan of the 39th, Teilhet of the 40th, Johnson of the 37th, and Hembree of the 67th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending R. T. Godfrey on the occasion of his retirement from service on the Austell
- 2 City Council; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, after 13 memorable years of service on the Austell City Council, Mr. R. T.
- 4 Godfrey has retired from public office; and
- 5 WHEREAS, before becoming a member of the council, Mr. Godfrey honorably served his
- 6 country as a chief petty officer in the United States Naval Reserves and had a distinguished
- 7 29 year career with CSX Railroad; and
- 8 WHEREAS, elected to office after a friend urged him to run, Mr. Godfrey helped lead
- 9 Austell to greater growth and prosperity; and achievements of the city during his tenure
- 10 include the building of the bridge on Bankhead Highway and the purchase of the Threadmill
- 11 Mall Complex; and
- 12 WHEREAS, a humble and generous gentleman, Mr. Godfrey was always willing to go out
- of his way to serve his beloved community, going so far as to donate his salary to help fund
- 14 the Christmas bonus program for city employees; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Godfrey has always been greatly respected as a thoughtful and responsible
- leader, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this body appropriately recognize his 13
- 17 years of committed service to his city and state.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 the members of this body join together to commend Mr. R. T. Godfrey for his many years of
- 20 outstanding service as a member of the Austell City Council and to express their best wishes
- 21 on the occasion of his retirement from public office.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. R. T. Godfrey.